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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmittal herewith for filing is a:

☐ New Patent Application☒ Continuation <sup>IN Part</sup> Application of Serial No. 08/707,517, filed Sept. 4, 1996☐ Filed: \_\_\_\_\_ A Rule \_\_\_\_\_ filing.

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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CLEANING A MILK LINE SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

☒ One sheets of drawing(s): ☐ Formal ☒ Informal☐ An Assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_ (ASSIGNED IN PARENT PATENT APPLICATION), the original to be returned to the undersigned attorneys.☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ The right to priority is claimed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119.☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney.☒ A Statement <sup>ASSERTING</sup> Claiming Small Entity Status.☐ Preliminary Amendment.☐ Substitute Specification.

FEES:

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FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	24 <sub>20</sub>	4
INDEP. CLAIMS	6 <sub>3</sub>	3
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## SMALL ENTITY

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For: A METHOD and APPARATUS FOR  
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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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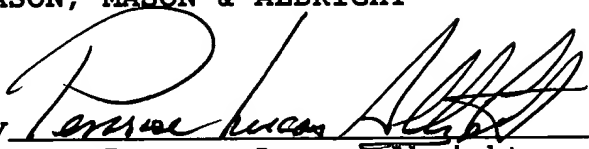
Sir:

A Small Entity Status is entitled to be asserted for the  
Application submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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